Assistants and a Mate. At the Parliament House Annexe, the stall is managed by a Stall Manager, two Sale Assistants and a mate. The staff in all the stalls are transferred normally after every 2 to 3 years.

Increase in support prices of Agricultural Products

131. SHRI V. RAJAN CHELLAPPA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the year-wise increase in the support prices of various agricultural produce separately during 1991-92 to 1995-96 alongwith the cost prices of the agricultural produces thereof;

(b) the details of the policy implemented by Government to make agriculture remunerative; and

(c) the achievement made so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS & EMPLOYMENT AND THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (DR. JAGANNATH MISHRA): (a) The year-wise increase in the minimum support prices of various agricultural commodities during 1991-92 to 1995-96 and the cost of production of crops are given at Annexure [*See* Appendix 176, Annexure No. 36]

(b) The decision of the Government on price policy is implemented through procurement operations by the designated nodal agencies.

(c) Agriculture Price Policy has induced adoption of modern technology and has ultimately resulted in higher production and productivity in successive years.

Proposals received for Inclusion of other Backward castes in the List of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes

132. SHRI S. AUSTIN: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received proposals for inclusion of Backward and Other Classes in the list of SCs/STs;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by when a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. About 1134 proposals for inclusion of Backward and other classes in the lists of SC/ST have been received.

(c) No specific time schedule can be indicated as the issues envolved for decision are complex in nature.

Uniform Implementation of WAKF Act, 1995

133. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the new Wakf Act has come into force;

(b) if so, how many States have implemented the new Act and whether the States have been asked to implement the Act within a specific period;

(c) whether it has come to the notice of Government that in Karnataka, the Wakf Board is still functioning under the repealed Act; and

(d) what action Government propose to take for the uniform implementation of the Wakf Act, 1995?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) and (b) Immediately on the enforcement of the Wakf Act, 1995 in the country (except State of J & K) with effect from 1st January, 1996, Welfare Minister wrote to Governors/Chief Ministers/Lt. Governors of concerned State Governments/UT Administrations specifying actions/steps required to be taken by them under various provisions of the Act and requesting them to expedite actions/steps.

Apart from an acknowledgement of this letter from a few States/UTs, no specific feedback has been received so far.

(c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(d) The matter is being monitored and will continue to be pursued with the State Governments/UT Administrations.

Outlay Under JRY

134. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY:
SHRI PRATHAPA REDDY:

Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total national outlay under Jawahar Rozgar Yojana since 1991-92, year-wise with State-wise break-up;

(b) the break-up of Jawahar Rozgar Yojana allocations on major programmes like IAY, MWS and Inter-Panchayat Schemes; and

(c) the actual expenditure under JRY for 1994-95 and April-September, 1995, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE EMPLOY-MENT (DR. JAGANNATH MISHRA): (a) to (c) A statement showing State-wise outlay under Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) from 1991-92 onwards, the break-up of allocation under JRY in terms of its sub-schemes and the actual expenditure incurred under JRY (State-wise) during 1994-95 and 1995-96 (April-Sept., 1995) is given at Annexure [*See Appendix 176, Annexure No. 37*]

Crude LAC producing Areas

135. SHRIMATI KAMLA SNHA:
DR. BAPU KALDATE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the major crude lac producing areas in the country alongwith their annual production thereof;

(b) the estimated export of the crude product and the estimated foreign exchange earned therefrom; and

(c) the efforts made by Government so far to tap and exploit the crude lac producing areas in the country and the development and adoption of new technologies in this area for the development of the agriculturally backward areas?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS & EMPLOYMENT AND THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (DR. JAGANNATH MISHRA): (a) The Production of crude lac in the major lac producing areas of the country during 1994-95 was as under:

States	Production in M. Tonnes
Bihar	13730
Madhya Pradesh	4485
West Bengal	3243
Maharashtra	550
Uttar Pradesh	325
Others	125
TOTAL:	22458

(b) The quantity of 4.66 M.T. of crude product was exported during 1994-95 and the foreign exchange worth Rs. 46.03 crore was earned.

(c) (i) The Indian Lac Research Institute of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has developed a number of technologies for lac production, processing and utilisation, out of which 25 have been transferred. Over 1000 managerial/supervisory level candidates and over 11,000 farmers trained.

(ii) Institute of Forest productivity under Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE) is maintaining nucleus brood lac farms for supply of brood lac to the growers, besides imparting training, giving demonstrations and incentives for improved methods of cultivation and not resorting to immature collection of lac.

मध्य प्रदेश में खनिजों का उत्पादन

136. श्री गोविन्दराम मिरी: क्या खान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) गत तीन वर्षों में प्रति वर्ष मध्य प्रदेश में कुल कितनी मात्रा में खनिजों का उत्पादन हुआ और उसका खनिज-वार बाजार मूल्य क्या था;

(ख) कौन-कौन सी नई खनन परियोजनाएं प्रारंभ की गई हैं और उनकी मुख्य बातें क्या-क्या हैं; और

(ग) मध्य प्रदेश में खनन कार्य के परिणामस्वरूप राज्य और केन्द्रीय सरकार को प्रति वर्ष कुल कितने कितने राजस्व का अर्जन होता है?

खान मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री गिरिधर गमंग): (क) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान मध्य प्रदेश में उत्पादित खनिजों की वर्षवार कुल मात्रा तथा उनका खनिज-वार मूल्य अनुलग्नक में दिया गया है। [देखिए परिषिष्ट 176, अनुपत्र संख्या 38]

(ख) सरकार के पास उपलब्ध सूचना के अनुसार मध्य प्रदेश में कुल 17 नई खनन परियोजनाएं शुरू की गयी हैं। इनमें से 2 चुनापत्थर की प्रमुख खनन परियाजनायें हैं और शेष 15 छोटी खनन परियोजनायें हैं। ऊपर वर्णित नयी परियोजनाओं का विवरण अनुलग्नक में दिया गया है। [देखिए परिषिष्ट 176, अनुपत्र संख्या 38]